

(c) the target of the schemes fixed for Eighth Plan; and
 (d) the steps taken to implement the scheme effectively in the scheduled areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The State wise coverage made under the total literacy campaigns launched in such districts specified in the Constitution of India as having scheduled areas, is as follows:

State	coverage (in lakhs)
Andhra Pradesh	41.77
Bihar	11.66
Gujarat	14.05
Himachal Pradesh	1.26
Madhya Pradesh	75.16
Maharashtra	35.63
Orissa	44.50
Rajasthan	20.62

The total literacy campaigns are launched in the entire area of a district covering the non-literate population in the age-group of 15-35.

(c) The National Literacy Mission, which had the objective of covering 345 districts under total literacy campaigns by the end of year 1995, has so far covered 423 districts throughout the country.

(d) Some of the steps taken to strengthen and improve literacy programmes are :

- (i) State Government requested to draw up time bound action plan for bringing uncovered districts under the coverage of total literacy campaigns.
- (ii) Measures initiated to increase the motivation of volunteers engaged in literacy campaigns through retraining and orientation camps, granting recognition and appreciation of their efforts.
- (iii) Panchayati Raj Institutions being involved more intimately in implementation of literacy campaigns.
- (iv) Stress laid on reinforcing linkages between the literacy programme and other development programmes such as health programmes, Jawahar Rozgar Yojna, DWACRA, etc.
- (v) Decentralisation and delegation of authority to State Governments for implementation of State Literacy Missions.
- (vi) Guidelines laid down by National Literacy Mission to revamp and strengthen monitoring and evaluation mechanisms. State Directorates of Adult Education to closely monitor the literacy programmes.

- (vii) Concurrent evaluation of literacy programmes is being rigorously enforced for identifying shortcomings in the implementation and initiation timely corrective measures.
- (viii) Operation Restoration for revamping and revitalising projects which have languished due to various unavoidable reasons.

National Monument of Netaji

1326. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have a proposal to declare, the house of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose at Oriya Bazar, Cuttack, a national monument;

(b) if so, the steps taken for the proper conservation of that House which is known as Netaji Seva Sadan; and

(c) the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Decentralization of Education

1327. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Education Advisory Board have framed any guidelines for decentralization of education at district level, sub-district level and village level;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. In pursuance of the 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendments, a Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) Committee formulated guidelines on decentralised management of education at district, sub-district and village levels. The gist of the recommendations is annexed. The report of the Committee was endorsed by the Chief Ministers, Conference held in New Delhi on 15th February, 1994. The report has been commended to the State Governments and UT Administrations for appropriate adaptation and effective, implementation keeping in view their specific situation.

Recommendations made by the CABE Committee on Decentralised Management of Education

1. Separate Education Committees to be set up at Panchayat, Panchayat Samiti and Zilla Parishad levels.